

**BOARD LETTER – SUMMARY SHEET
HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER**

AGENDA REVIEW	May 23, 2012
BOARD MEETING	June 6, 2012
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT	All
DEPARTMENT	Mental Health (MH)
SUBJECT	Request approval of a new Clinical Laboratory Services Agreement with Primex Clinical Laboratories, Inc. (Primex), for the provision of clinical laboratory services to meet the needs of MH clients treated at directly-operated clinics/programs countywide.
PROGRAM	Primex provides clinical lab testing services to patients, physicians, managed care organizations, health care providers, and government agencies.
DEADLINES	June 30, 2012
COST & FUNDING	This will be funded annually by \$805,920 in Sales Tax Realignment and State Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) revenue.
PURPOSE OF REQUEST	To award a new contract to Primex to provide clinical laboratory services for MH clients.
SUMMARY/ ISSUES (Briefly summarize program and potential issues or concerns. Identify changes, if any, to level of funding or staffing; how funding will be utilized and why best use; prior accomplishments; and for BLs involving contracts, also note changes to the contract term.)	<p>The purpose of the Board letter is to seek approval to award a new contract to Primex to provide clinical laboratory services for DMH's clients. DMH concluded a Request for Proposal (RFP) solicitation process. This RFP was necessitated because the existing contract was set to expire on June 30, 2011. The existing contractor was not the highest ranked proposer and as a result Primex was recommended for the award to provide clinical laboratory services countywide.</p> <p>Primex will be serving DMH facilities in all eight geographical service areas.</p>
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